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11/18/72 Js, I've skimming the first ofx today's Post's new sections and, in the absence of Mppaper, will probably send you some for return (as usual, no rush on this). Although I have an enormous blister on the right hand and scratched another off the top, both resulting from the freeze-burning off of several growths, when I tyoe this I'll be going out to trim out and cut up some locusts I took down the other day, to burn in the fireplace tonight is as I believe there is another of the rather good BBC Masterpiece Theater presentations on PubTV-and thus cut the fuel-oil bill. After lunch I'm gping to plant some tiny junipers Lil got somehow, free-bees. So, what I'll do will be busted up. My central point here, aside from explaining what may emerge as somewhat confused, is to tell you that I've clipped and until certainty will continue to clip the Post's coverage of the French narcotics arrests. Beginning with Ricord I've been doing this. It is consistent with a deliberate CIA intent to make it appear that all the hard stuff is from other than their sources, other than from our SEAsis mendicants. Additionally in this case, one of these guys is strongly suggestive of a man wanted by France in connection with the Ben Barka assassination (on which I have an old, contemporaneous file) Note in the papers you see, esp. the Times, if there is mention of this and apparent French outrage at the US pre-empting France on this. Much of this points to SDECE (sih-DICK-ih) or (Sih-DICK, forget which). In turn that seems to get around to Farewell America. Remember my notes on deVosjoli's L'Amia or ~~Lamia~~ Lamia, I think latter. And then there is the current bit about the alleged plot vs JFK in France in 1961, tied to the colons, in turn suggesting possible connectionx with the Houma heist, which Mike May, citing Naval Intelligence sources, told me was fingered by the CIA for Bay Pigs use but was actually the property of the colons. Very complicated but of potential interest or relevance. I'll be sending you a note on press facilities at Camp David, of which I'm reminded by the overflight of another helicopter. I can not recall a week in which their traffic was as heavy. More is going on there than has been indicated. But, aside from blacked-out football, there are six chairs for all the press, really extensive facilities. El Lider is generous.